



Attorney Docket No. 42390P6623

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE JUL -5 2001

1C 2800 MAIL ROOM

In Re the Application of:

QING MA, ET AL.

Application No.: 09/374,502

Filed: August 13, 1999

For: **ISOLATION STRUCTURE CONFIGURATIONS
FOR MODIFYING STRESSES IN
SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICES**

Art Group: 2815

Examiner: J. Fenty

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F. R. § 1.136(a), Applicants for the above-identified application respectfully petition the Commissioner for a one (1) month extension of time, extending the period for response to June 20, 2001, from the Office Action dated February 20, 2001. A check in the amount of \$110.00 (petition filing fee) and the Response to Office Action are attached.

If it should be determined that a longer extension of time is required to prevent this application from being abandoned, please charge any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 02-2666. A copy of the Fee Transmittal is enclosed for deposit account charging purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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